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SUBJECT: IECO AND GOA JOINT VENTURE

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1. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY DELIVERING FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO TOUFIQI AND TO RUFF IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL. IECO MOST ENTHUSIASTIC REGARDING POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE WITH GOA. WE ALSO SUPPORT IECO/GOA COOPERATION AS IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR U.S. FIRM TO ASSIST IN AFGHANISTAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

2. TEXT OF LETTER TO DR. MUHAMMAD HASHEM TOUFIQI, PRESIDENT OF INDUSTRIES, MINISTRY OF MINES AND INDUSTRIES: INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING COMPANY (IECO) IS HONORED TO RESPOND TO YOUR INVITATION AND WOULD PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE TO GOA IN ESTABLISHING THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. MR. JACK HARRIS, IECO PRINCIPAL ENGINEER, WILL ARRIVE KABUL ON APRIL 24. HE WILL BRING WITH HIM PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION REGARDING IDC ORGANIZATION AND ACTION PLAN FOR RESOURCES SURVEYS AND INITIAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. AFTER THESE CONSULTATIONS WITH YOU, I WILL PERSONALLY SUBMIT A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM FOR YOUR
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GOVERNMENT'S APPROVAL BEFORE MAY 20. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT

OUR COSTS RELATED TO THESE INITIAL SERVICES WILL BE REIM-
BURSED BY THE GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING IECO.
SIGNED G. S. SARKARIA, VICE PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL
ENGINEERING CO., SAN FRANCISCO. KISSINGER

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